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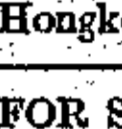
Shipping

Steamers.

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY.
LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHEW
The Co.'s Steamship
Thales,
 Capt. GODDARD, will be
despatched for the above
Ports on **SUNDAY**, the 10th Instant, at
Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LAIRDALE & Co.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, April 6, 1887. 64


FOR SINGAPORE AND PENANG.
The Steamship
Partia,
 Captain BOONIN, will be
despatched as above on
MONDAY, the 11th Instant, at 4 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

Hongkong, April 4, 1887. 63

AUSTRO-HUNGARIAN LLOYD'S
STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.
STEAM FOR

BOMBAY, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT
SAID, BRINDISI AND TRIESTE.
(Taking Cargo at through rates to CAL
CUTTA, MADRAS, PERSIAN
GULF, BLACK SEA, LEVANT and
ADRIATIC PORTS.)

 The Co.'s Steamship
Medusa,
Captain R. Cress, will
be despatched as above
on WEDNESDAY, the 13th of April,
at Noon.

For further Particulars, regarding Freight
and Passage, apply to the Agent of the
Company, Rajya Central.

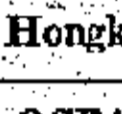
O. BACHRACH,
Agent.

Hongkong, March 31, 1897.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL.

The Co.'s Steamship
Diomed,
Captain BIGLEY, will
be despatched as above



For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.
Hongkong, April 7, 1887. 60

Sailing Vessels.

FOR SANDAKAN.
The British Bark
Mary Stewart,
Captain THOMPSON; will load
above, and have quick despatch.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, April 4, 1887. 61

FOR SANDAKAN.
The British Bark
Billy Simpson,
Captain BAYLY, will be de

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GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, April 4, 1887.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

The 3/3 L.I.I. American Ship
State of Maine,
NICKELS, Master, will load her
for the above Port, and will
have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to

Notices to Consignees.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.
FROM ANTWERP AND BORDEAUX.

ALSO
PENANG, SINGAPORE, SAIGON
AND HAIPHONG.

THE British Steamship *Chelydra*, Capt. PEACE, HAVING ARRIVED FROM THE ABOVE PORTS, and brought on board cargo SALVED BY S.S. *Prinz Albrecht*, Consignees of ~~Cargo~~ are hereby requested to send IN THEIR BILLS OF LADING FOR COUNTRIES

TAKE IMMEDIATE DELIVERY of their Goods from alongside. CONSIGNEES of Old HORSE SHOES are particularly requested TAKE DELIVERY from Steamer IN THEIR OWN BOATS, failing which the Captain

Lighters from the HONGKONG and KOWLOON PIERS will be in attendance and any Cargo impeding her discharge will be landed into Godowns and stored at the wharves.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on, unless notice to the contrary be given before 4 p.m. To-pay, the 4th Instant.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,

Hongkong, April 4, 1887. 6

WASHING BOOKS.
(In English and Chinese.)
WASHERMAN'S BOOKS, for the use
 of Ladies and Gentlemen, can now
 be had at this Office.—Price, \$1 each.
CHINA MAIL OFFICE,

6.—100 YARDS' BARD RACE. Prizes, 1st, \$4; 2nd, \$2; 3rd, \$1.
Seven entered. The race was easily won by Pto. Spinks, who had the lead nearly all the way.

Pto. Spinks (5 yards) 1
Pto. Welch (6 yards) 2
Pto. Gallagher (scratch) 3
7.—TWO OF WAR. (Batticore R.A.) Prizes, 1st, \$5.
This was a tug between 1/1 Lancashire Division R.A., and 1/1 Eastern Division R.A. The latter pulled the line with the greatest ease.

8.—TWO OF WAR. (Companies Gux L.A.) Prizes, 1st, \$5.
This tug was between A Company and B Company, and was won by the latter very easily.

9.—QUARTER MILE RACE. Prizes, 1st, \$5; 2nd, \$3; 3rd, \$2.
Six Europeans and three Indians entered. Gr. Dorman got an advantage at the start and kept the lead for about three quarters of the distance. He was then collared by Gunda Singh and Dr. Campbell.

Gunda Singh 1
Dr. Campbell 2
Gr. Dorman 3
The time was about a minute.

10.—100 YARDS' THREE LEGGED RACE. Prizes, 1st, \$3; 2nd, \$2; 3rd, \$1.
Six couples entered for this race. Collins and McGillick took the lead at first and won by about 20 yards.

Gr. Collins 1
Tyl. McGillick 2
Esa Singh 3
Vengay 4
Gr. Rann 5
Thompson 6

11.—120 YARDS' HURDLE RACE. Prizes, 1st, \$5; 2nd, \$3; 3rd, \$2.
Six Europeans and three Indians entered in this race, which was run in heats. Esa Singh won the first heat, McHugh the second, and Hoy the third. At the final heat McHugh was first, Hoy second and Esa Singh third.

12.—100 YARDS' SKIP AND HANDBALL RACE. Prizes, 1st, \$3; 2nd, \$2; 3rd, \$1.
Each competitor had a skip 6 in. by 9 in. and 3 ft. long and a 9 foot handball. Corporal Brown took the lead at the first and won by about 15 yards.

Gr. Brown 1
Gr. Crawley 2
Gr. Knight 3
13.—80 YARDS' WHEELBARROW RACE. Prizes, 1st, \$2; 2nd, \$1.
This race was introduced in place of the Sack Race. Nine couples entered. Corporal Brown and McHugh took the lead at first and won by about 10 yards.

Black and Knight 1
Doyle and Whillan 2
14.—HALF-MILE RACE. Open to Garrison.
Ten entered for this race. Gunda Singh won easily.

Time, 2 mins. 14 secs.
Gunda Singh 1
Pto. Samark 2
Pto. Haynes 3
15.—100 YARDS' VETERANS' RACE. (12 years' service on scratch, 1 yard start for every complete year.) Prizes, 1st, \$5; 2nd, \$3; 3rd, \$2.
Nine men entered. Vengay won easily.

Vengay (16 years) 1
Gr. Clark (20 years) 2
Q. M. Sarge Williams (scratch) 3
16.—120 YARDS' HURDLE RACE. Open to the Garrison and Fleet. Prizes, 1st, \$5; 2nd, \$3; 3rd, \$2.
Five of the 18th, 2nd, 3rd, and 4th B.A.'s entered for this race, which was run in heats. In the first heat McHugh was first, and Private Seaman was second. In the second heat, Private Hyde was first, and Gunner Hoy second. In the final heat, McHugh was first, Pto. Seaman second, and Pto. Hyde third.

17.—100 YARDS' SERGEANTS AND STAFF SERGEANTS RACE. R.A. only. Prizes, 1st, \$5; 2nd, \$3; 3rd, \$2.
For this race, there entered Sergeants Wright, Thompson, Loughran, Wain, and Q. Master Sergeant Williams. Williams got the lead at first and kept it till the end, winning by about a yard.

Q. M. Sergeant Williams 1
Sergeant Loughran 2
Sergeant Wright 3
18.—100 YARDS' HAVILDARS GUN LASCARS ONLY. Prizes, 1st, \$5; 2nd, \$3; 3rd, \$2.
Five entered for this race, which was won easily by Ahmed Din, Sirt Singh being second.

19.—MILE RACE. Prizes, 1st, \$5; 2nd, \$3; 3rd, \$2.
Seven entered. The Indian, Gunda Singh, came to the front at first and won in fine style, being about 50 yards in front of the second, Karon Singh.

Gunda Singh 1
Karon Singh 2
Gr. Davis 3
The exact time was not taken, but it is said to have been the shortest on record.

20.—300 YARDS' NON-COMMISSIONED OFFICERS RACE. (Below the rank of Sergeant. R.A. only.) Prizes, 1st, \$5; 2nd, \$3; 3rd, \$2.
There entered—Br. Back, Dr. Leadon, Dr. Keates, Br. Worsley, Br. Campbell, Br. Inglis. London won easily.

Br. Leadon 1
Campbell 2
Keates 3
21.—200 YARDS' CONSOLATION RACE. Open to all competitors who have not won a prize. Prizes, 1st, \$5; 2nd, \$3; 3rd, \$2.
Six entered. Result:

Pto. Thompson 1
Gr. Ashbrook 2
Pto. Beckwith 3
OYSTERS RACE, 300 Yards. (Yards allowed for number of years' service.)

This was an extra race. There entered—Col. Ryan, (3 years); Major Blundy, (10 years); Lieut. Anderson, (3 years); Lieut. Lawrence, (3 years); Lieut. Broome R.E., (3 years); Lieut. Young R.E., (6 years); Lieut. Smith R.E., (3 years); Lieut. Hunt, (1 year); Lieut. Davis R.A., (scratch); Lieut. Griffin R.A., (scratch). Col. Ryan took the lead for about 3/4 of the distance, when he was passed by Lieut. Lawrence and Anderson, and gave up the race. Lieut. Lawrence won easily.

Lieut. Lawrence 1
Lieut. Anderson 2
Lieut. Smith R.E. 3
22.—HONGKONG YOUNG MEN'S GUN CONTEST.

Only two teams entered this year, very short notice having been given. The teams, which were under the command of Lieut. Wootley, were offered respectively by Sergeant Dipple and Sergeant Tomlin. The following were the members of each team:

Sergeant Dipple, Gr. Mahewa, Gr. Poyell, Gr. Lewis, Gr. Howell, Sergeant Osborne, Corporal Lammer.
Sergeant Tomlin, Gr. Scott, Gr. J. Monien, Gr. J. Boyd, Gr. D. Smith, Gr. O. H. B. Smith, Gr. H. Henderson.

The exercise consisted in running 50 yards, firing one round, dismounting gun and carriage, mounting carriage and gun, firing one round and running back. Both

teams made the run of 50 yards in about the same time, but Sergeant Tomlin's team lost one movement in dismounting their gun and never regained their loss—in fact fell anything a little further behind. At the last run Sergeant Dipple's team had got half way to the goal before the others started and thus won easily. The time unfortunately was not taken.

21.—TWO OF WAR, open to all Companies. Prizes, \$20.
At the close of the competitions several tugs-of-war were pulled. The first was between a team of the Volunteers and the Gun Lascars. The latter pulled the Volunteers with great ease. The second pull was between the Regiment and 5/1 R.A., the former winning easily. The Regiment then pulled against the Gun Lascars and got two out of three pulls. The Lascars pulled very well and only lost the last pull because they were tired when the signal 'heave' was given. The Regiment then pulled against the crack team of the R.A., but were totally unable to stand their ground against this powerful team.

22.—FRAGRANT WATERS' MURMUR
That His Honour the Chief Justice (Sir George Phillips) has gone, and that Mr. Russell resigns in his stead.

That it is just possible that the worthy Chief may not return, and in that case Mr. Russell's present position may be made permanent.

That the departure of Mr. Marsh, the Acting Governor, will give the active General Commanding another few weeks' activity as Administrator, as Dr. Stewart's commission as Colonial Secretary has not yet reached this Colony.

That Mr. Marsh is held in very high respect by all who know him, and that residents will join heartily in any mark of respect that may be shown to him.

That anything in the shape of a Banquet is now-a-days too unavailing a notion to be entertained for an instant, and that the Colonial Regulations are said to forbid any 'pecuniary or valuable' present being given to even a retiring Governor.

That a sincere and heartily expressed Address of Farewell will probably be all that can be done directly.

That it should be noted, however, that Clause 40 of the Regulations runs thus:—'In cases where money has been subscribed, with a view of marking public approbation of the Governor's conduct, it may be dedicated to objects of general utility and connected with the name of the person who has merited such a proof of the general esteem.'

That as nothing, so far as I know, yet bears the name of Marsh in this city, it might be deemed desirable to subscribe a small sum to establish a Marsh Ward in the Alice Memorial Hospital—an institution, by the way, which seems to be already doing much good in the Colony.

That this suggestion might all the more readily commend itself to the community because of the fact that H.E. the Acting Governor laid the foundation stone of that Hospital, and because Mr. Marsh was the life and soul of the Force which set it up in funds.

That, speaking of testimonials, reminds me of several representations made to me on the subject of the ladies' presentation to Mrs. Marsh.

That there is no doubt a larger number of ladies would have gladly taken part in this popular movement had they known about it, but that the knowledge that Mrs. Marsh was much gratified by the incident must now, I think, satisfy those ladies whose names were unfortunately overlooked.

That I hear the gist of the new Opium Scheme propounded by the unofficial members of Council and the legal gentlemen engaged has been telegraphed to Peking.

That it is thought by some authorities that the trade in broken china (i.e., in balls of opium), to be carried on under restrictions laid down in the new Scheme, will not permit of any smuggling being done in the drug; and that therefore the modifications suggested by the retail dealers will most probably be agreed to by all parties concerned.

That it is understood the Acting Governor will leave the Colony soon as this Opium legislation is agreed to and passed.

That the one fly in the ointment, in reference to the popular appointment of Dr. Stewart to the office of Colonial Secretary, is his permanent removal from the office of Registrar General and Protector of Chinese.

That this last-named office calls for so much text and sound good-sense that it will not be easy to satisfactorily fill the position.

That Mr. Stewart-Lockhart has acted as Registrar General sufficiently long to prove that he can perform the duties of the office, and that, on the principle of promoting the man who knows the work to be done, he has strong claims for the appointment.

That from the necessity of the case, few officers possess the knowledge of Chinese required for the position, and Mr. Lockhart has steadfastly endeavored to furnish himself in this respect.

That if his age and experience, together with the accompanying development of discriminating powers, could have been increased and enlarged for the occasion, the Chinese would have felt greater confidence in his discretion; but that youth and inexperience are disadvantages which disappear with the lapse of time.

That as the only other likely candidate for the post mentioned is Mr. H. E. Woods, who acted as Registrar General for a short time several years ago, the position should be comparatively safe for Mr. Lockhart.

That if Mr. Stewart-Lockhart does get the appointment, he will be one of the most fortunate of the 'boys' who have come here under the cadet system.

That a new Western Market, come as a slight surprise upon many residents, as one or two markets exist in that direction, and the new Central Market will doubtless serve to supply many natives to the westward.

That it is pleasant to hear that, by an expenditure of \$75,000, land valued at nearly five times that sum can be reclaimed.

That this consideration is a conclusive argument in favour of reclamation, but not necessarily a reason why the Government should build a new Market on the site reclaimed.

That reports should be furnished to the public by the Public Works Committee upon this and all kindred projects.

That the community, European and Chinese, are looking anxiously for the full particulars of the purchase of the old P. & O. Office, and the private sale of the portion of that ground not required for the Central Market.

That as the native community are ever ready to misunderstand and misconstrue the discretionary action of the Executive in such matters, all information calculated to prevent this should at once be given to the Legislative Council, the more especially as the Finance Committee meetings are still a sealed book.

That the form of the celebration of the Queen's Jubilee in Hongkong will surely be decided upon at the forthcoming public meeting, once and for all.

That as the bronze work of the Kennedy Statue is so well spoken of, the idea of a similar piece of work being set up here in honour of H. M. the Queen may be further strengthened.

That the Chinese are, I hear, getting on famously with their subscription list for their Jubilee celebration, and have got some fifteen thousand dollars already procured—pretty good for a fortnight's work.

That it was a fortunate circumstance for the proprietor and occupants of Stonehurst, and probably more so for the military authorities, that the shell deposited between the roof and the ceiling did not burst.

That the stampede of the Celestial garçons, on seeing the live thing hurrying towards them, was about as laughter-provoking as 'Fun on the Bristol,' and that is saying a great deal.

That the shell was handled very tenderly, and is being preserved as an heirloom.

That it seems unlikely that the Regular R.A.'s should have selected the house of the Commandant of the Volunteer Artillery for this somewhat eccentric experiment.

That Sports, holidays, and picnics have been prevalent, and will continue to be so for several days yet.

That I fancy even the presence of the large-hearted one will fail to materially improve Banks for the present, the feeling of uncertainty as to the responsibilities in Manila being still too general.

That although the earning power of the Bank has not been affected, the necessity for rebuilding the equalization fund has to be kept in view in relation to the current year's dividends.

That exchange is also proving to be a more fickle goddess than ever, and although the present low rate may suit the Banks for laying down funds and a rise later on seems probable (which would mean good profits), yet the whole future of the dollar and silver is wrapped in great uncertainty and doubt.

That although the D.C.K. Company has not been having any unusual 'slants' lately, it is said to be doing a good, steady business, with average results, and there is apparently little doing in this stock.

That the present out of Siguera would appear to point to either an interim dividend being called up or else a repetition of some 10 or 12 per cent. for the whole year, unless the reported 'shorts' for April and May are going to enable the recent operators to realize the profits now shown on their chief purchases rates, if the shares can be resold or carried.

That the prospect for Sugar Refining in China must have materially improved to warrant the confidence now shown, and whilst believing in the future of the industry, I cannot but think it must be attended with all the risks proverbial to the sweet article.

That the shareholders of the East Point concern have certainly good reason to feel that their interests must have had the greatest possible care and ability guiding the Company through the difficulties of its powerful antagonism.

That it would be interesting to know how the rival establishment comes out of the struggle for the existence of the two, but the non-publication of its accounts gives it all the advantage of the *Ignominia per Ignem*, though the present silence in contrast with the reverse of two years ago is suggestive.

That Panjona have but slightly declined, the hope of satisfactory results apparently sustaining holders.

That as expenditure must be going on steadily with as yet no revenue, it seems difficult to see how a call is to be avoided within the next few months.

That whether such a call is to lower shares or not, must depend upon events that may happen between this and then.

That River Steamboats continue in favour, I believe, to the hope of the new Opium Ordinance, favourably affecting the river traffic in foreign bottoms.

That the reported favourable returns of the Douglas Steamers seem to have drawn some attention to this stock.

BROWNE.

'FUN ON THE BRISTOL' AT THE THEATRE ROYAL.

On Thursday evening, the 'Fun on the Bristol' Company, of whose reputation Hongkong had heard so much during the past fortnight through Mr. Allen, the agent of the company, gave their first performance at the Theatre Royal, an overflowing house. Upstairs and downstairs, the house was completely filled, and the management and the company generally must have been highly gratified by the extensive patronage which was extended to them on their 'first night' and the exceedingly warm reception which their efforts to amuse called forth. With such a place and such a company it could scarcely be otherwise for anything more provoking, funny, and comical than the comedy of the 'Fun on the Bristol' is to be enjoyed by any far from the house of the company.

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DISTRIBUTION OF PRIZES AT VICTORIA SCHOOL.

The annual distribution of prizes to the pupils attending Victoria School (Mrs. Hanlon's) took place in the new premises in College Chambers at three o'clock this afternoon. The School Room was partially decorated with flags for the occasion; and map-drawings, &c., the work of the pupils, were also hanging round the walls of the room, which with plants in pots and some evergreens gave the school a cheerful holiday look. Mr. Marshall kindly consented to distribute the prizes, and shortly after three o'clock, Mrs. Marshall, accompanied by H. E. General Cameron, Lieut. Metcalfe, aide-de-camp to H. E. the Acting Governor, and Lieut. Somerville, aide-de-camp to General Cameron, arrived at the School. There were also present—Father Barghinelli, Captain Lopes (Acting Spanish Consul), Mr. Telak Mianini (Japanese Consul), Mr. J. A. dos Remedios, and others, parents and friends of the pupils. Before the distribution of prizes was begun, the very Reverend Father Barghinelli said he need not say much to commend the school. It had now been in existence for many years, and the large number of pupils which attended it was a proof of the confidence the community had in Mrs. Hanlon. Last year there were 69 boys and girls on the roll, and two-thirds of that number were presented for examination, and out of those only two failed. This result was all the more satisfactory, as during the last year almost the whole of the work had devolved on Mrs. Hanlon alone. Now things look very bright, and the school has taken a step forward, because they had now got from Scotland, Mr. Broadwood, M.A., an able and thorough schoolmaster. He was sure the boys would, under such a schoolmaster, be very industrious and very careful in their studies. There would now be greater competition between the boys and girls, but, of course, the boys would beat the girls, which was proper. He had now the pleasant duty to thank Mrs. Marshall for coming there to-day, when she must be so much engaged, to distribute the prizes, prizes which would be all the more valued on that account, and her kindness would live in their hearts and earn their lasting gratitude.

Mrs. Marshall, before distributing the prizes, said there was only one point on which she did not agree with Father Barghinelli, and that was she did not see why the boys should beat the girls, and she hoped the girls would not let the boys have all the prizes.

Mrs. Marshall then distributed the prizes as follows:—Mr. Broadwood, M.A., an able and thorough schoolmaster. He was sure the

